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In re the Application of:

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AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2004, please amend the instant application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.